

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☐

Property Name: Barnes Property Inventory Number: CAR-1678
Address: 1537 West Liberty Road City: Sykesville Zip Code: 21784
County: Carroll USGS Topographic Map: Winfield
Owner: Barnes Family Limited Partnership Is the property being evaluated a district? ☐ yes
Tax Parcel Number: 69 Tax Map Number: 67 Tax Account ID Number: 09-000356
Project: Barnes Property Agency: Federal Communications Commission
Site visit by MHT staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Is the property located within a historic district? ☐ yes ☒ no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district ☐ yes Eligible district ☐ yes Name of District: _____
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ☐ yes ☐ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ☐ yes

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ☒ yes ☐ no

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:
(No documents were identified)

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*
The property was most recently observed and photographed in August 2003.

There are currently no documents describing or related to the property located at the Maryland Historical Trust Library.

The property entrance is located on the south side of West Liberty Road (State Route 26), approximately three tenths of a mile to the east of the intersection of West Liberty and Woodbine Road, near the community of Winfield in Carroll County, Maryland. The property consists of a grouping of nine structures, including the main farmhouse, several garage/storage buildings, the remains of a silo, and a large prominent bank barn. An asphalt paved drive leads up to the compound, which is off set from the main road approximately fifty yard at the farmhouse.

The main house is a two-story, "T" shaped structure with a porch on the north or front elevation facing West Liberty Road. The rear of the house also has a porch. The plan seems to have to have formerly been a less complex "T" shape, with additions constructed over the course of its existence. This also was communicated by a resident who indicated she has lived in the house since approximately 1946. Property tax information indicated that the primary structure was built in 1920, and is approximately 3,800 square feet including a basement level.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐
Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None
MHT Comments

[Signature]
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Reviewer, NR Program

8/28/03
Date

9/9/03
Date

The main house is a relatively simple structure that seems Victorian in general appearance; a fact reinforced by the "T" plan, a centrally located steep-sloped gable dormer at the front elevation, and the three-bay porch. The house however does not have much ornamentation beyond the dormer, bracket details, and hand railing. It merely seem to have a discreet, elegant Victorian formalism exemplified by the minimal detail but accurate representation of proportion and scale. Formalistically, the farmhouse shares idiomatic qualities with other domiciles of its nature located in this agricultural region. In particular the plan and general elevation mimic the Andrew P. Frizzel House located within a few miles of the property on Salem Bottom Road. What the house lacks in decoration, it makes up for in simple geometric polish. The severe symmetry of the façades on three sides of the upper portion of the "T" relate a degree of idiosyncrasy with regard to other structures at the property, which are more primitive and functional in shape, and rustic in materials. These buildings are generally utilitarian structures of varying age, shape and materials. One building of note seems mildly distinctive in its asymmetrical gable slope lengths, wall heights, and its parallel low foundation elements perpendicular to the roof overhang, and looking like fins extending out of the ground. This building is the furthest from the road at the back of the compound

While the majority of the structures are nondescript, the bank barn, coupled with the main house, helps generate the distinct identity of the property. The bank barn is a rather large building set apart from the rest of the compound in a generally open area appearing slightly elevated above the other buildings. The quality of scale is expertly manipulated by two principal and defining factors. The first being the siting of the barn: out in the open (with the exception of a single tree on the east side), and at the head of the sloping sod field running to the edge of the highway from the foot of the barn. The second scale factor is the array of fenestrations on all sides of the barn that make it appear larger than it is. The barn is in fact large, but the quantity and relatively small size of the decorative-framed openings with horizontal louver seems to add a few more stories. Other physical traits include the tin roof, the red-painted exterior wood siding, the decorative, toothed fascia trim at eaves, and the stone and concrete masonry unit lower level wall. The barn is reportedly one of very few with the decorative trim work this building possesses. The main level of the barn is actually the second entered from the west. The ground leading into the barn appears to perhaps have been placed fill ramping up to the barn. The lower level is exposed on three sides and entered on two. The superstructure for the barn is timber framing above the stone lower level walls. The barn is currently in use and appears to be in good condition. A painted sign at the top of the north side of the bank barn contains the numbers 1881.

Another structure of interest is the remains of the wood framing for a silo. These ruins do not appear to serve any purpose other than to be reminiscent of its former function. Another silo appears to have been located beside the bank barn. This too is in ruins, although instead of wood framing, it is identified by the concrete circular base partially overgrown with vegetation.

The general setting of the property is rural and agricultural. The topography in the general area of the buildings is relatively flat. The ground slopes slightly up to the barn from the property access road. On the opposite side of the bank barn the ground slopes slightly down to the east away from the compound. Agriculture still extends its presence into the identity of property. The field east of the buildings is sod, access trails extent to grazing fields for cattle, and the barn still houses farm equipment. The community of Winfield near to the west, by its proximity diminishes the degree of its rural character, but not its architectural quality. The property could be considered for eligibility for registration under the terms of Criterion C: Design/Construction.

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WEST LIBERTY ROAD

APPROX. 120'-0"

FARM HOUSE

± 70'-0"

APPROX. 105'-0"

BANK BARN

SILO

SITE PLAN

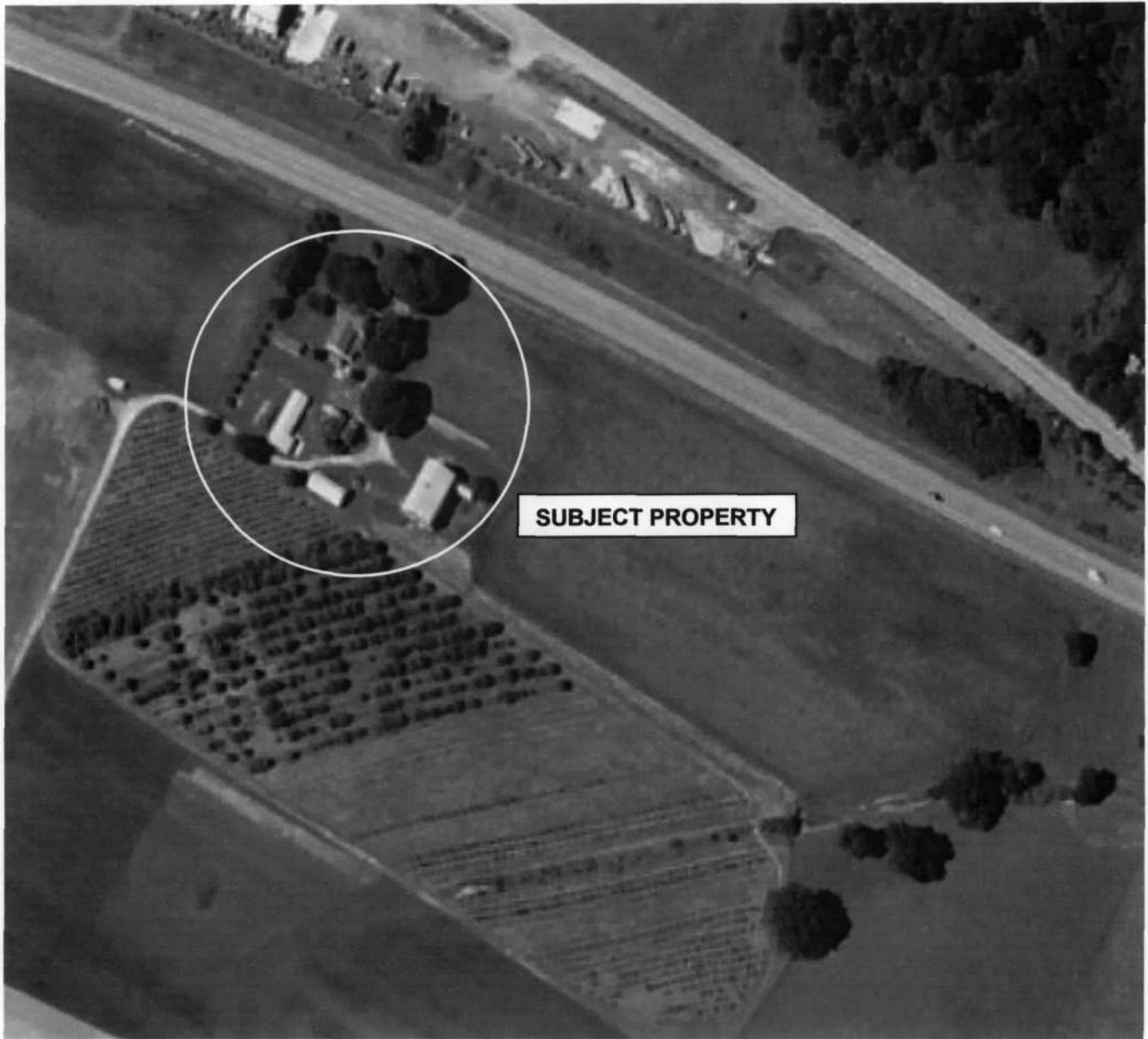
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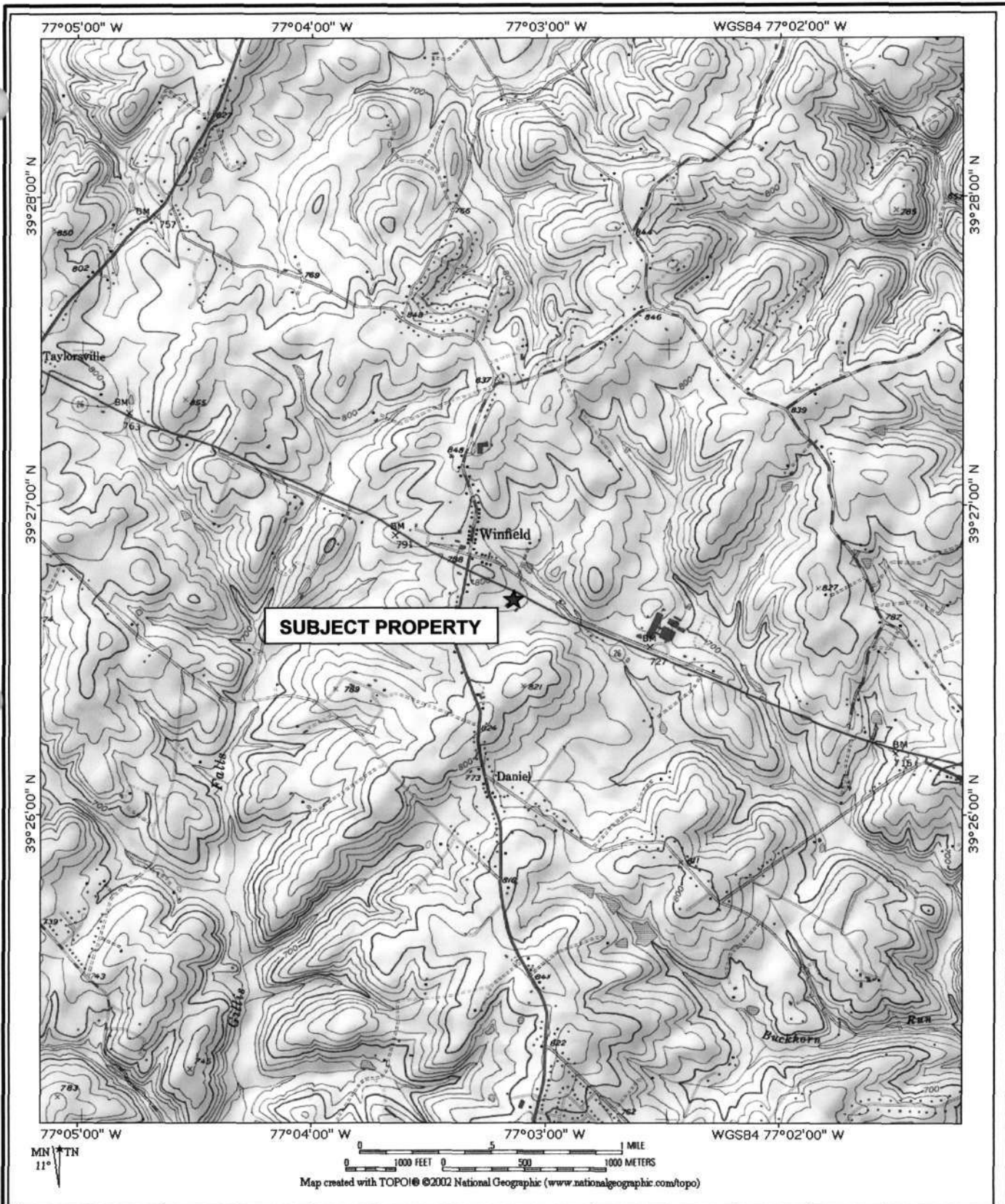
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SITE VICINITY MAP

Winfield, MD Quadrangle
(Dated 1979)
SCALE: As Shown



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AUGUST 2003

ALSO @ MD SHPO

FARMHOUSE - NORTH Elev.

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Photo Gallery 08-21-03



BARNES PROPERTY

CARROLL CO, MD

C. GONZALEZ

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NEG @ MDSHPO

FARMHOUSE - NORTH END.

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Photo Taken: 08-21-03



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NEG LOC: MD SHPO

FARM HOUSE - WEST ELEV

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BARNES PROPERTY
CARROLL CO., MD

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NEG LOC: MAD SHPO

FARM HOUSE - SOUTH ELEV

CARR-1678

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BANK BARN

CARR- 1678

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Photo Daters: 08/21/03



BARNES PROPERTY
CARROLL Co, MD

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NEAR MD SHPO

BANK BARN - INTERIOR

CARD- 1678

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BARWICK PROPERTY
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CARLOS GONZALEZ

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BARNES PROPERTY
CARROLL CO., MD
CARLOS GONZALEZ

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NEG: MD SHPO

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